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On 22 Jun CNAF flew 12 flights 24 sorties of patrol and visual recon plus 2 msns photo recon. 4 F-84 attacked grounded British freighter vic of Mei Hwa (QD 6880) with 8 GP 250 lb bombs plus 100 rds 50 cal ammo. Pilots claim "2 bombs hit on stern of vessel 2 hit 10 feet off the ship and the other 4 hit 50 to 100 feet off the ship. The ship was exploded with no fire. 1005, contacted Matsu and instructed not to attack the target, however, the attack already made at 0932". CHICOM AA fired against 4 F-84 on patrol vic of San Tou Au (QE 9239). Firing range reported at 3000 feet to 4000 feet. CHICOM YP attacked by 4 F-84 at mouth of Ming River. Pilots claim 380 hits on target with 50 ammo. During single strafing pass 8 CHICOM 40-ton wooden gunboats discovered at NA 1387. 4 F-47 claim 2 gunboats destroyed and 2 gunboats damaged during 5 strafing passes using 2500 rds 50 cal ammo. Scheduled for 23 Jun are 10 flights 20 sorties patrol and visual recon plus 5 msns phot recon. 18 fighters on day air defense and JOC alert. 2 F-4Y night JOC alert. 2 PBY on SAR alert.

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